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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

Transportation Committee Agenda Friday January 16, 2009

Cook County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Sears Tower Chicago, Illinois

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

9:30 AM

Luann Hamilton, Committee Chair

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes

The draft minutes from the December 12, 2008 meeting are attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of minutes of the December 12, 2008 meeting.

4.0 Coordinating Committee Reports

On January 14, 2009 the Programming and Planning Committees met. The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Transportation Committee will give an update on the Programming and Planning committee meetings.

ACTION REQUESTED: Informational

5.0 RTA Update

This is a standing committee agenda item for RTA to update the committee on implementation of HB 656 and other relevant topics.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

6.0 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (Holly Ostdick)

6.1 TIP Amendments and Revisions

Approvals of TIP revisions that exceed amendment thresholds have been requested. The TIP Amendments and Revisions are attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

6.2 Biannual TIP/RTP Conformity Analysis and TIP Amendments

The Transportation Committee is asked to release a Biannual TIP/RTP conformity analysis and TIP amendments for public comment. This analysis and amendments will be the subject of a 30 day comment period.

ACTION REQUESTED: Release of the TIP Amendment and conformity analysis for a 30 day public comment period from January 15 to February 15, 2009.

7.0 Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) (Randy Neufeld)

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force has requested that the Transportation Committee discuss establishing a program mark for ITEP funds to be programmed through the MPO process for the CMAP Transportation Management Area (TMA). ITEP funds are currently programmed through the state.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

8.0 Economic Recovery Package (All)

The set of principles adopted by the CMAP Board to guide the implementation of a federal economic recovery package is attached. A prominent theme of all discussions on this package is the "use it or lose it" stipulation that will require recipients to spend the funding quickly. Our federal partners have told us that every indication suggests that all Federal planning requirements pertaining to the Long Range Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program, and Air Quality Conformity including public participation must be satisfied for utilizing Economic Recovery funds. Committee discussion of the latest information available on the package is requested.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

9.0 Revised CMAQ Procedures (Doug Ferguson)

The CMAQ Project Selection Committee has discussed many strategies for creating a more effective programming process to assure that the region gets the congestion reduction and air quality improvements of projects more quickly and does not have a large amount of unobligated funding in danger of being lost to the region. A draft of the recommended programming revisions is attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Informational

10.0 Congestion Scans (Thomas Murtha)

Mr. Murtha will present the first of the region's congestion scans and highway congestion data analyses, posted at

http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/cmp/measurement.aspx. 2007 reports for most of the region's freeway segments will be posted over the next several weeks.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

11.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair's discretion.

12.0 Other Business

13.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled March 6, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. in the Cook County Room.

14.0 Adjournment

Transportation Committee Members:

Charles Abraham	Don Kopec	Peter Skosey
Thomas Cuculich**	Paul Losos	Dick Smith
Rocky Donahue	Jan Metzger	David Simmons
John Donovan***	Arlene Mulder	Steve Strains
John Fortmann	Randy Neufeld	Vonu Thakuriah
Bruce Gould	Jason Osborn	Paula Trigg
Rupert Graham, Jr	Leanne Redden	David Werner**
Jack Groner	Thomas Rickert	Ken Yunker
Luann Hamilton*	Mike Rogers	Tom Zapler
Fran Klaas	Joe Schofer	Rocco Zucchero
*Chair	**Vice-Chair	***Non-voting